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fee. It will then give the actuary the guidance that they need to include those contributions in the full actuarial valuation of the judges retirement plan.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. (Visitors introduced.) Discussion on the amendment to the committee amendments? Senator Wickersham, your light is on. Senator Wickersham waives. Senator Hartnett. All right. Senator Wickersham, there are no further lights on. Would you like to close on your...he waives closing. The question before you is the adoption of the Wickersham amendment to the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, those nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Wickersham's amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR JANSSEN: The amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, we're back to the committee amendments. First speaker is Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President, members of the body, Senator Bruning can I...if I could ask you a couple of questions. I'm...I'm on the committee statements that deals with the school plan as modified so that all regular employees who work at least 15 hours a week are mandated to participate in a plan and eliminating the 516-hour requirement for annual contribution. So that regular employees that, if the school year is so many weeks, they have to work at least 15 hours for those? Is that...is that correct, Senator Bruning?

SENATOR BRUNING: Yes, Senator, that's correct.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Was it mandated before that they had to participate, or is this new? Did a...did a person that was a school employee that fit under the...the other requirements, did they have to participate in the...did they have to be part of the school retirement?

SENATOR BRUNING: You know, Senator, it was kind of an awkward requirement. What it was is you had to work at least 516 hours